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QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

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The Leader of the Opposition (DA) to ask the Minister of Finance:

Since the establishment of the Register for Tender Defaulters, how many times has the provision of section 28(1) of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, Act 12 of 2004, been enacted which allows an order to be issued for the particulars, conviction and sentence of a person or enterprise under the Act to be endorsed on the Register?

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REPLY:

The Department of Justice and Constitutional Development has, to date, submitted to the National Treasury only one notification in terms of the provision of section 28 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, Act Number 12 of 2004 (Act).

The notice, which was received in December 2010, confirmed that the Presiding Officer of the Specialized Crimes Court, Belville found Messrs Hishaam George and Isaac Petersen guilty in terms of the Act for corruption relating to contracts. In addition to passing a sentence, the Presiding Officer ordered that the particulars of the convicted persons be endorsed on the Register for Tender Defaulters.

To this end, the National Treasury has, in terms of section 28 of the Act, determined that the particulars of Messrs Hishaam George and Isaac Petersen be endorsed in the Register for a period of 5 years. Their particulars will, therefore, remain in the Register until 14 December 2015.